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Docket No.: 50023-129

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

Tatsumi WATANABE, et al.

Serial No.:

Group Art Unit:

Filed: November 30, 2000

Examiner:

For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND  
RECORDING MEDIUM

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 4, line 1, please delete "or claim 3".

Claim 6, line 1, please delete "or claim 5".

Claim 13, lines 1 and 2, please delete "or claim 5".

Claim 14, lines 1 and 2, please delete "or claim 5".

Claim 15, lines 1 and 2, please delete "or claim 3".

Claim 16, lines 1 and 2, please delete "or claim 3".

Claim 17, lines 1 and 2, please delete "or claim 5".